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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence  
Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

FROM: David D. Gries  
Acting Chairman

SUBJECT: NIC Activity Report, 16 - 22 September 1988

DCI and DDCI Support

A representative group of NIOs, together with Fritz Ermarth and Dave Gries, held a roundtable discussion on "opportunity analysis" with Roy Godson, Ken deGraffenreid and Abe Shulsky of the National Strategy Information Center. Godson believes estimates should include a section on opportunities to advance US interests. If no such opportunities exist or US interests and policy are unclear, he questions whether an estimate is needed. Another round of discussions is planned.

[ ] attended the Interdepartmental Group, Chemical and Biological Warfare (CBW), to discuss and review the working draft of US-USSR ministerial talking points on chemical warfare issues and the initiative to strengthen the Geneva Protocol. The President plans to call for a conference on the protocol in a speech at the UN General Assembly. (A/NIO for Chemical and Biological Warfare)

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[ ] represented the DCI at an interagency meeting chaired by the National Security Council staff to discuss a draft National Security Decision Directive on missile proliferation. (A/NIO for Strategic Programs)

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Estimates and Intelligence Memoranda

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Intelligence Community

[redacted] co-chaired a [redacted] meeting on Soviet space programs, at which Intelligence Community analysts and collectors evaluated past efforts and made recommendations to revise and update the [redacted] (A/NIO for Strategic Programs)

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Larry Gershwin will chair an interagency seminar on our capabilities to [redacted] Soviet directed energy weapons development and test programs, as a follow-up to the National Estimate on US capabilities to monitor arms control limitations on Soviet strategic defense. (NIO for Strategic Programs)

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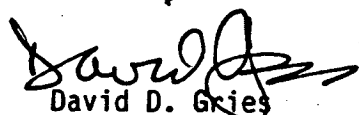
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Outside Sampling

Larry Gershwin will attend a meeting of the Defense Science Board Task Force on US strategic force modernization and will brief on Soviet force developments under a START agreement. (NIO for Strategic Programs)

[redacted] was a panelist at a USIA Radio Marti academic conference on Cuba and made brief remarks on Castro's current leadership style. (Director/Analytical Group)

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